of construction is comparatively high. Moreover, there are no lands below it fit for wet cultivation, they being of black cotton soil. It is therefore proposed that the Krishnambudhi tank need not be breached, but may be kept in good order, so that the water which it receives independently of the Marikanave channel, may be utilized for cultivation during rainy season and the channel water stored in it by means of a pipe during hot season.

Reply of Government.—Before any further action is taken, the Revenue Commissioner will be asked to give a definite opinion in the matter.

SUBJECT No. 500.

Improvement of water-supply to Hirekere tank by the diversion of the water of Andanurhalla.

Mr. Venkataramaiya, Taluk Member, Holalkere.

Summary of discussion.—The water-supply to the Hirekere tank at Holalkere may be improved by the diversion of the water of the Andanurhalla By doing so, an additional extent of 1,000 acres of wet land will be brought under holding. Owing to the want of supply of water to the tank, a large number of valuable gardens under it are decaying, and the wet cultivation has entirely stopped. Consequently, the raiyats are sustaining heavy loss. The above request is being made for the last ten or twelve years without any avail. Requests favorable orders of Government on the subject.

Reply of Government.—The project which has been investigated by the Executive Engineer is stated to cost Rs. 60,000. The Deputy Commissioner will be asked to see the rates and send up a report. The Chief Engineer also will be asked to send up a report after personal inspection.

SUBJECT No. 501.

Re-diversion of Kudarekanavehalla to the Budihal-Hirekere tank.

Mr. Khasim Saib, Taluk Member, Hosdurga.

Summary of discussion.—Budihal-Hirekere tank is yielding an annual income of Rs. 1,000 to Government from the wet and garden lands under it. This tank has had no supply for the last twelve years, as the course of the Kudarekanavehalla, which is the main feeder to this tank, has been otherwise diverted. The raiyats holding lands under the tank are put to great loss in consequence. It is prayed that the said halla may kindly be diverted to this tank.

Reply of Government.—It is reported that there is no way of feeding the Budihal tank. The Deputy Commissioner will kindly inspect this and send a detailed report regarding the levy of wet assessment on the Atchakat lands.

SUBJECT No. 502.

Construction of tank near Devarbelkere across Sulekerehalla.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao, Taluk Member, Harihar.

Summary of discussion.—The project for the construction of a tank near Devarbelkere across Sulekerehalla may be ordered to be put in hand immediately as represented in previous years for providing a means of subsistence for a large number of coolies and workmen who are suffering from want of livelihood owing to failure of Mungar rains

this year. This will, besides affording relief to the needy, bring in a large amount of revenue to Government from 3,000 acres of land, which may be irrigated by that tank.

Reply of Government.—This project is now under scrutiny and may be taken up in due course when funds become available.

SUBJECT No. 503.

Extension of Hospet-Kottur Railway line to Jagalur, etc.

Mr. Narasingappa, Taluk Member, Jagalur.

The member was absent but others spoke.

Summary of discussion.—A railway line has been opened from Hospet to Kottur in the Kudligi Taluk at a distance of twenty miles from Jagalur. The same line may be extended on to Chitaldrug *viâ* Jagalur and connected with the Holalkere Railway Station.

Reply of Government.—We have stated our opinion in reply to the Government of India that there is no objection on our part for the extension to Davangere.

SUBJECT No. 504.

Connection of the Hospet-Kottur Railway line with Davangere.

Mr. C. Somanna, Taluk Member, Davangere.

Summary of discussion.—It is very likely that the Southern Mahratta Railway Company may consult the Government in the matter of connecting the Hospet-Kottur Railway line with Davangere in preference to Harihar. But if they fail to do so, the Government may kindly address the Railway authorities to connect the said line with Davangere in the interest of traders.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* reply to Subject No. 503.

SUBJECT No. 505.

Revision of scale of cash allowances to Muzrai Institutions.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao, Taluk Member, Harihar.

Summary of discussion.—The ready money grants made to several Muzrai temples being very small, the prescribed puja and other services are not properly attended to. The existing scale which was fixed many years ago according to the circumstances then existing, is not suited to meet the requirements of the present day. It is therefore proposed that the scale may be revised so as to make the grants sufficient and attractive.

As an instance, the member quotes the case of Koneripantra Anjaneyaswami temple at Harihar, which is endowed with an annual cash allowance of Rs. 2-15-0.

Reply of Government.—It is impossible to raise the tasdik. There is no money.

SUBJECT No. 506.

Revival of the grant of sandal to the Sri Harihareswaraswami temple at Harihar.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao, Taluk Member, Harihar.

Summary of discussion.—Under a title-deed granted by the Inam Commissioner, the temple of Sri Harihareswaraswami at Harihar is entitled to an annual grant of two maunds of sandal from Government and was in receipt of the same till recently. The grant has been stopped for the last five or six years and may be revived.

Reply of Government.—It is not clear why the allowance was stopped. A report will be called for from the Deputy Commissioner.